

CLASSIFICATION SECRETCOUNTRY East Germany REPORTTOPIC Military Shipments in the Area of the Eighth Gds Army

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1. On 26 July 1955, an engineer unit was loaded at the Ohrdruf freight station. The following materiel was observed: 30 two-axle trucks, 20 three-axle trucks with special superstructure (boat-shaped, behind driver's cabin), 4 trucks with trailers carrying approximately 7 canvas-covered boats, and 2 amphibious sedans with wheel drive.¹ 25X1

2. On 27 July, a shipment of 6 tanks, 10 to 12 trucks, 1 field kitchen and 100 - 200 soldiers was unloaded at the Plauen freight station. The tanks had 6 bogie wheels, 1 drive and 1 idler wheel, 3 track-supporting rollers, the turret on the forward third and a rather short barrel with a caliber of 90 to 120-mm. The 25X1 departure of the unit from the station could not be observed. Tank tracks led toward Hindenburg Kaserne (8442).²

1. Comment. The trucks with "special superstructures" may have carried pontoons. The unit cannot be identified. 25X1

2. Comment. The 112th Gds Mtz Rifle Regt of the 39th Gds Mtz Rifle Div. is believed to be stationed in Plauen. The "tanks" may have been SU-76 guns, which have not been observed with the regiment before. The unit presumably returned from firing practices. 25X1

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